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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF ARIZONA
 IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA

Kimberly Brennan, et al.

Plaintiff(s),

Case No. CV2024-007763

v.

Johnny Hernandez, et al.

SUMMONS

Defendant(s).

To: Johnny Hernandez

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SIGNED AND SEALED this Date: *April 05, 2024*

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Clerk of Superior Court

By: *Y. MORALEZ*
Deputy Clerk



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9 **IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MARICOPA**

10 KIMBERLY BRENNAN, an individual;
11 CARMEN PONCE, an individual,

Case No.:

CV2024-007763
COMPLAINT

12 Plaintiff,

13 vs.

14 JOHNNY HERNANDEZ, an individual;
15 CRETE CARRIER CORPORATION, an
16 Arizona foreign for-profit Corporation;
17 JOHN and JANE DOES 1-10; BLACK
18 CORPORATIONS 1-10; and WHITE
19 PARTNERSHIPS 1-10,

20 Defendants.

21 PLAINTIFFS Kimberly Brennan and Carmen Ponce (“Plaintiffs”), by and through
22 their attorneys, LAW BADGERS, PLLC, for their Complaint against JOHNNY
23 HERNANDEZ, an individual; CRETE CARRIER CORPORATION, an Arizona foreign
24 for-profit Corporation; JOHN and JANE DOES 1-10; BLACK CORPORATIONS 1-10;
25 and WHITE PARTNERSHIPS 1-10 (“Defendants”), allege as follows:

26 **PARTIES, JURISDICTION, VENUE, AND TIER**

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28 1. Kimberly Brennan (“Kimberly”) is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.
2. Carmen Ponce (“Carmen”) is a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.

3. Defendant Johnny Hernandez ("Johnny") is – upon information and belief – a resident of the state of Mississippi and was at all relevant times to this Complaint operating a vehicle and/or doing business in Maricopa County, Arizona.

4. Defendant CRETE CARRIER CORPORATION (“Crete”), is an Arizona foreign for-profit corporation doing business currently and at all relevant times of this Complaint in Maricopa County.

5. JOHN and JANE DOE Defendants 1-10, BLACK CORPORATIONS 1-10, and WHITE PARTNERSHIPS 1-10 represent individual or corporate defendants who may be liable for the acts or omissions as set forth in Plaintiffs' Complaint. Plaintiffs will substitute the true names of these defendants upon discovery.

6. Jurisdiction is proper pursuant to the Arizona Constitution and because the amount in controversy exceeds the minimum jurisdictional limits of this Court.

7. Venue is proper because Defendant is, and was at all relevant times, a resident of Maricopa County, Arizona.

8. This action qualifies for Tier 3 discovery pursuant to Ariz. R. Civ. P. 26.2.

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS

9. On the morning of April 6, 2022, Plaintiffs were passengers in a vehicle (the “Vehicle”) at the intersection of North 27th Avenue and West Van Buren Street in Phoenix, Arizona.

10. The Vehicle was stopped in the far-right northbound lane of 27th Avenue at the stoplight at Van Buren St.

11. Defendant Johnny holds a commercial driver's license ("CDL").

1 12. Johnny was driving a Semi-truck and trailer (the “Semi”) with a gross
2 vehicle weight (“GVWR”) between 10,001 and 26,000 pounds.

3 13. Upon information and belief, Johnny operated his Semi as an employee of
4 Crete.

5 14. Johnny drove his Semi in the lane to the left of the Vehicle and attempted
6 to make a right-handed turn around the Vehicle onto Eastbound Van Buren St.

7 15. Johnny failed to check his positioning and the positioning of obstructions –
8 including the Vehicle – around his Semi.

9 16. Johnny made a right-handed turn and caused his Semi to hit the Vehicle
10 during the turn.

11 17. Johnny’s Semi dragged the Vehicle over the curb of the road and into
12 obstructions.

13 18. The Plaintiffs – as passengers in the Vehicle – took on the brunt of the force
14 of the impact caused by Johnny.

15 19. Johnny was cited with violation of A.R.S. § 28-701(A), titled Reasonable
16 and prudent speed; prima facie evidence; exceptions.

17 20. The force was so much that Plaintiffs suffered severe bodily injuries from
18 this collision.

19 21. Plaintiffs suffered bodily injuries for which they required ongoing medical
20 treatment, and for which they were charged or given future estimates for treatment that
21 are currently in the tens of thousands of dollars and will increase as further medical
22 treatment is warranted

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22. Plaintiffs continue to suffer side effects of their injuries and have continued bodily injuries, potential lost wages, pain and suffering, and loss of enjoyment of life.

COUNT I – Negligence

23. Plaintiffs incorporate all the foregoing Paragraphs as if fully stated herein.

24. As a CDL holder, Johnny has specialized training in driving vehicles that carry weights in the tens of thousands of pounds.

25. Johnny was in fact driving the Semi with a GVWR of between 10,000 and 26,000 pounds.

26. Johnny owed Plaintiffs a duty of care to operate his Semi and oversee the operation of the Semi in a safe and non-negligent fashion.

27. By failing to pay attention to the road and the Vehicle, and by failing to observe and the rules of law, Johnny not only breached his duty of care, but also directly caused the collision.

28. Crete is liable for the actions of its employees under *respondeat superior*.

29. Defendants' breaches as stated above proximately caused the collision, which in turn proximately caused Plaintiffs to suffer damages for bodily injuries, potential lost wages, pain and suffering, and loss of enjoyment of life, the full amount of which will be proven at trial.

30. Defendants' actions were reckless and wanton in nature sufficient to warrant an award of punitive damages.

COUNT II – Negligence Per Se

31. Plaintiffs incorporate all the foregoing Paragraphs as if fully stated herein.

32. Johnny violated A.R.S. § 28-701(A), which states that:

1 [a] person shall not drive a vehicle on a highway at a speed greater than is
2 reasonable and prudent under the circumstances, conditions and actual and
3 potential hazards then existing. A person shall control the speed of a vehicle
4 as necessary to avoid colliding with any object, person, vehicle or other
conveyance on, entering or adjacent to the highway in compliance with
legal requirements and the duty of all persons to exercise reasonable care
for the protection of others.

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6 33. Johnny's violation of A.R.S. § 28-701(A) proximately caused the collision,
7 which in turn proximately caused Plaintiffs to suffer damages for bodily injuries, potential
8 lost wages, pain and suffering, and loss of enjoyment of life, the full amount of which
9 will be proven at trial.

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11 34. Crete is liable for the actions of its employees under *respondeat superior*.

12 **JURY DEMAND**

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14 35. Plaintiffs demand a trial by jury on all issues so triable.

15 **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

16 WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands that judgment be entered in his favor and
against Defendant as follows:

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18 A. For judgment on all Counts in favor of Plaintiffs;
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20 B. For compensatory, general and special damages against Defendant
in an amount to be proven at trial;
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22 C. For pre-judgment and post-judgment interest to the extent permitted
by law;
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24 D. For reasonable costs and attorneys' fees pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 12-
341 and 341.01 or other statutory and common law authorities;
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26 E. For punitive damages in an amount sufficient to punish Defendant
and to deter such conduct in the future; and
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28 F. For such other and further relief as is just, proper and/or equitable
under the facts and circumstances of this case.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this 5th day of April 2024.

LAW BADGERS, PLLC

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ORIGINAL filed this 5th day of April 2024
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/s/ Ben Dangerfield

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**CERTIFICATE OF
COMPULSORY ARBITRATION**

I certify that I am aware of the dollar limits and any other limitations set forth by the Local Rules of Practice for the Maricopa County Superior Court, and I further certify that this case IS NOT subject to compulsory arbitration, as provided by Rules 72 through 77 of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED this

By: Sean A. Woods /s/
Plaintiff/Attorney for Plaintiff

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4 SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA
5 MARICOPA COUNTY

6 In re the matter of:)

7 KIMBERLEY BRENAN, et al.,)

8 Case No: CV2024-007763

9 Plaintiff(s),)

10 v.) CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

11 JOHNNY HERNANDEZ, et al,)

12 Defendant(s).)

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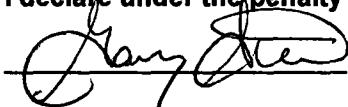
14 1. I, Gary Steiner, swear that I am currently registered as a Private Process Server pursuant to
15 Rule 4(c) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure. I further swear that on June 7, 2024, I
16 received; Summons, Complaint and a Certificate Of Compulsory Arbitration from The
17 Plaintiff(s).

18 2. I then proceeded to successfully serve the above described documents on Crete Carrier
19 Corporation at 3800 N. Central Ave., #460, Phoenix, AZ on June 14, 2024 at approximately
20 11:45 am. I verified Everett Bethea, Statutory Agent could accept service and served him.

21 3. This is considered to be personal service.

22 4. The fee I charged for this service was \$85.

23 I declare under the penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct

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25 Gary Steiner

26 6/17/24

27 Date

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MARICOPA COUNTY**

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COURT ADMINISTRATION

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Kimberly Brennan

V.

Johnny Hernandez

The Judge assigned to this action is the Honorable Timothy J Ryan

NOTICE OF INTENT TO DISMISS FOR LACK OF SERVICE

You are hereby notified that the complaint filed on 04/05/2024 is subject to dismissal pursuant to Rule 4 (i) of the Arizona Rules of Civil Procedure. The deadline for completing service is 07/05/2024. If the time for completing service has not been extended by the court and no defendants have been served by this date, the case will be dismissed without prejudice.

All documents required to be filed with the court should be electronically filed through Arizona Turbo Court at www.azturbocourt.gov.

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